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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Mehregany et al. Docket No.: 47799.00003  
Application No.: 09/677,197 Group Art Unit: 3621  
Filing Date: October 2, 2000 Examiner: Kambiz Abdi  
Title: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR ACQUISITION OF RESEARCH  
AND DEVELOPMENT

**TRANSMITTAL OF RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

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P.O. Box 1450  
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Commissioner:

Herewith is a response to the Office Action in the above-identified application mailed on June 15, 2005. The response is being filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), Applicants hereby petitions to extend the time for response two months (Notice of Appeal was previously filed) to April 17, 2006 (Monday), and enclose the required petition fee.

[ X ] Applicant asserts Small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9 and 1.27.

**FEE CALCULATION, CLAIMS AS AMENDED:**

	Claims remaining after amendment		Highest number previously paid for		Present Extra				Additional Fee
Total Effective Claims	15	Minus	25	=	0	x	\$ 50.00	=	\$0.00
Independent Claims	2	Minus	3	=	0	x	\$200.00		\$0.00
							Subtotal:		\$0.00

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Fee Calculation: Request for extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Response filed within first month after due date – add	\$ 120.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Response filed within second month after due date – add	\$ 450.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Response filed within third month after due date – add	\$ 1020.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Response filed within fourth month after due date – add	\$ 1590.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Response filed within fifth month after due date – add	\$ 2160.00

Subtotal: \$ 450.00

If one of the “small entity” boxes above is checked, enter half (1/2) of the second subtotal and subtract. \$ 225.00

TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE ENCLOSED: \$ 225.00

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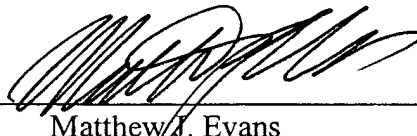
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This statement does NOT authorize charge of the issue fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee specifically authorized hereafter, or any deficiency in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith or concerning any paper filed hereafter, and which may be required under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16-1.18 (deficiency only) now or hereafter relative to this Application and the resulting Official document under 37 C.F.R. §1.20, or credit any overpayment to Account No. 19-3878 for which purpose a duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: April 17, 2006

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